

Briefly

Spring styles

The Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce Women's Division will hold its eighth annual style show at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 20, at Sunset Hills Country Club in Edwardsville, featuring spring fashions for women and children.

A breakfast buffet will be served first, followed by fashions from Glik's, Libby's Bridal and Tops n' Bottoms in Granite City; Inge's Bridal and Mary Ann Shop in Edwardsville; Ann Patrice Shop in Collinsville; and Phoebe Goldberg in Wood River.

The cost is \$12. Tickets are available at Tops n' Bottoms, 1343 19th St.; Chamber of Commerce, 1831 Delmar Ave.; Ann Patrice Shop, 112 W. Main, Collinsville; Mary Ann Shop, Edwardsville; and members of the Division. Tables of eight can be reserved for groups.

Proceeds go to a needy children's Christmas party and beautification projects. Commentator will be Cindy Gavilsky and the theme is "The Cat's Meow," with entertainment planned by members of the division.

Judy Stille and Jeannie Hornberger are co-chairmen of the show. Rose Starn is president.

Road rule class

The Rules of the Road review course will be held at the Granite City Township Hall, 2060 Delmar Ave., from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday, March 22. For information, the number is 877-4373.

The free class is open to all age groups. It answers questions about driving rules and written, vision and road tests.

Deaths

Paul Ashford
Clauss Felton
George Kries
John Merchut
Bess Miller
Marcella Mueller
Charles Suddeth
Geneva Woodward

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Lottery

Results in Illinois were:
March 17, 14-1; Pick 4: 9-1-3-6
Little Lotto Game
10-19-23-27-32
Lotto Game
02-03-10-19-42-49
March 18, 5-6-5; Pick 4: 9-3-0-1
March 15, 7-1-6; Pick 4: 2-7-5-6
Little Lotto Game
01-02-08-20-28
March 14, 7-2-0; Pick 4: 4-7-9-3
March 13, 1-6-0; Pick 4: 1-1-5-8
Lotto Game
03-08-23-32-45-49

75 years ago

March 18, 1918
A Granite City father of seven filed an injunction against the Granite City School board to keep his children from being vaccinated for smallpox and to allow them to attend school without vaccination. The injunction says the children are healthy and have not been exposed to smallpox.

Trivia

How many girls were born in Madison County in 1992?

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Selph made retirement deal to end probe

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Granite City mayoral candidate Ron Selph left the Granite City Police Department in 1991 to close an Illinois State Police investigation into his involvement in a leak of information about an undercover police operation.

Through the Freedom of Information Act, the Press-Record obtained a copy of an agreement

calling for Selph's retirement as assistant police chief. It was signed by Selph, Police Chief Don Knight and Mayor Von Dee Cruse.

Selph, Cruse and Knight also agreed to "refrain from discussing or disseminating in any way the facts and circumstances of an investigation conducted by the Illinois State Police relating to a leak of information...."

Any attempt to rescind or revise the retirement "will grant

to the City of Granite City the right to reinstate all investigations and to pursue any related prosecutions," according to the agreement.

Selph, one of 10 candidates for mayor in the election April 20, said that investigation found



Selph

no evidence of wrongdoing and called any allegations "ridiculous." He said he retired because "it was time to retire."

The agreement also says that if the city attempts to rescind or revise the agreement, Selph will have the right to return to the police department.

Selph said his only answer to the investigation was the 1991 statement released by Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine — following reports that

Selph was the target of a grand jury investigation — that the investigation had shown no evidence of wrongdoing by Selph or any other member of the Granite City Police Department.

"There was an investigation. It found no evidence of wrongdoing. Everyone involved was cleared. That's the way it's supposed to work in America."

"But I guess that's not the way it works for Ron Selph. It's

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Madison declines to seek arbitration

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Madison will not join the Teamsters union in a joint request for arbitration of the issue of Senior Aides working at the city's recreation centers.

The Madison City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to deny the request of Teamsters Local 525 to take the union's Feb. 23 grievance to arbitration.

The grievance was filed on behalf of four street department workers who were laid off Dec. 31.

It alleges that the city, by continuing to use workers from the Belleville Area College Senior Aide Program, is "using non-bargaining-unit personnel to do bargaining-unit work at the recreation centers."

The grievance asks that laid-off members of the union be paid for the time worked by the Senior Aides.

The City Council also voted unanimously to have the Personnel Committee, on behalf of the city, informally meet with Local 525 on the issue.

The city stipulated that the informal meeting would require neither side to waive its rights or responsibilities, but would attempt to resolve the issue.

In early February, the Teamsters union notified the city that it believed employment of the Senior Aides, who are paid by the Senior Aide program and not the city, violated the city's contract with the union.

At the time, Mayor John Bellico said the aides had been working at the recreation centers for 15 years — long before the union began representing city employees.

City Attorney Casper Nighohossian said that, since the aides are now doing the same work they were doing before the workers organized, he believed this was a case of "prior practice" and he saw no reason for the city to change anything.

Bellico said the type and amount of work being done by the senior citizens has not changed as a result of the layoffs of street department workers.

Nine agree to be in debate

Nine of the 10 Granite City mayoral candidates have agreed to participate in a debate sponsored by the Granite City Press-Record/Journal at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 5, in the Granite City High School Auditorium.

Candidates are being asked to submit questions for the candidates. Questions should be submitted in writing to Debate Question, Granite City Press-Record/Journal, 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL 62040.

Questioners should include their name,

address and phone number on the question.

Questions to be asked will be selected by a panel of newspaper reporters and editors, who will then ask the candidates the questions at the debate.

The nine candidates who now plan to participate, in ballot order, are Alderman Paul Fisk, Alderman Jeff Worthen, Alderman Walter Milton, businessman and body-builder Dan McGuire, Alderman Dan Brown, Joseph McGinness, former assistant police chief Ron Selph, James Bailey Sr. and Steve Bolling.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

All that jazz — Julie Whittington, 9, during a performance of "Vibeology" at the Granite City Park District's Winter Carnival. Whittington was performing a jazz dance with third- through sixth-grade girls. See Page 3A for more photos.

Action on business signs is postponed

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

After hundreds of hours of public input and lengthy consideration by both the Plan Commission and the aldermanic Planning and Zoning Committee, action on business signs has been postponed.

A proposed amendment loosening restrictions on business signs in the Madison Avenue B-1 zoning district has been placed on a temporary hold.

The City Council deferred action Tuesday on an amendment to the B-1 zoning ordinance, pending a written opinion from the city attorney regarding the legality of changes made by the aldermanic Zoning Committee after the Plan Commission had recommended approval of the amendments in another form.

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Transcript hearing delayed

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Details of several sessions of a closed police disciplinary hearing will remain a secret to most people — at least for now.

Bond County Circuit Judge John DeLaurenti, sitting in Edwardsville on Wednesday, granted a motion by the Granite City Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to continue a hearing because the board could not have an attorney present who is familiar with the matter.

The hearing Wednesday was to consider a motion filed by the board to keep sealed the transcript of an appeal by Granite City Police Sgt. John Apperson,

"Mr. Goldenberg will provide you with a transcript, and you will not show it to anybody."

— John DeLaurenti
Judge issues order

heard by the board in August and September of 1992, of Police Chief Don Knight's 1989 reprimand for Apperson's alleged participation in "fixing" a traffic ticket.

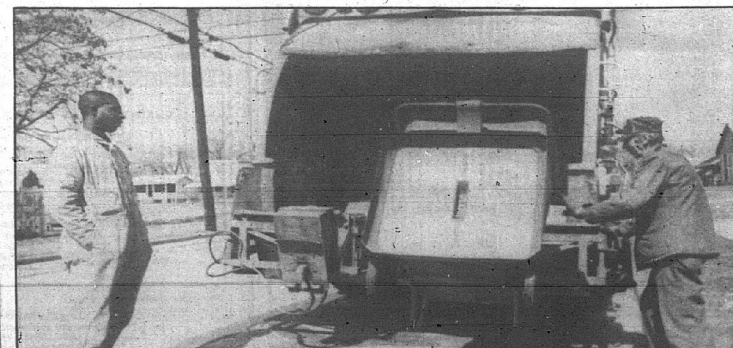
The board voted on Sept. 21 to uphold the reprimand, and Apperson then sought administrative review of the decision.

In its sealing order, the board said Apperson's attorney, Melroy Hutnick of Belleville, "has been reported in the local press as having indicated a desire to disseminate to the press a transcript of the disciplinary proceedings held in closed session."

But because board attorney Ed

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Madison layoffs prompt service concerns



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Madison Street Department workers Morris Hughes, left, and Bob Papa empty trash into the city's trash truck on Wednesday.

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

With four Madison street department workers laid off and two more out sick, Madison Alderman Jimmy Caffrey wondered Tuesday if some city services are being neglected.

Caffrey, who is also a business agent for the Teamsters union, which represents the street workers, told the City Council Tuesday that "I'm not asking this as a Teamster representative, but as an alderman and concerned citizen."

"I have no problem with the layoffs, I understand why that was done. I know the city has to save money."

"But with two more out, in addition to the four, I feel some city services may be being neglected."

Street Superintendent Robbie Robbins said all regular trash pickup is being done on schedule.

He said large-item pickup and alley cleaning may be a little behind, but that is due to the recent snowfall and not a shortage of workers.

Caffrey asked if the city had considered calling back one or two of the laid-off workers to help out.

Mayor John Bellico said, "Any time Robbie has indicated he is facing an emergency-type situation, I have given him permission to call back a couple of workers."

Caffrey said he understood that, but was asking about "less than emergency" situations.

Caffrey said he wanted to know if the city was paying the salaries of two workers out sick and, if not, why the city couldn't call back two workers.

Robbins said one of the workers was on disability — paid by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund — and the other was using sick days.

Alderman Norris Horton said that, since the city wasn't paying the salary of one of the workers, one of the laid-off workers should be called back.

Caffrey said the city will continue to look at its situation and "as soon as we can afford to bring the workers back, we will bring them back."

Caffrey also asked about two

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Plan would boost cigarette tax to \$1.54

SPRINGFIELD — If you can't beat 'em, tax 'em.

The Illinois division of the American Cancer Society will push for an additional \$1 state tax on each pack of cigarettes.

"It's a win-win situation that, in addition to generating much needed state revenue, will also serve to cut health-care costs by reducing the number of smokers," said Rep. Jan Schakowsky, D-Evanston, who introduced a bill to add the tax.

On Tuesday, the Cancer Society also unveiled the results of a poll it commissioned showing 60 percent of those asked support the dollar-a-pack tax.

Cigarettes now carry a 30-cent state tax per pack and an additional 24-cent federal tax. President Clinton is expected to propose a steep hike in the federal tax when his health-care reform package is unveiled.

The Cancer Society projected the state \$1 tax would generate \$732 million a year in additional revenue, which could help pay for Medicaid and other needs.

"Since every \$2 pack of cigarettes costs society an additional \$2 in health-care costs and lost productivity, taxes of \$1.54 come closer to repaying that debt," said Dr. Stephen Sener, president of the American Cancer Society, Illinois Division.

"Health-care costs aside, cigarette taxes in Illinois have not kept pace with inflation and have been increased just twice in the last 25 years," he said.

The society unveiled the results of its state public opinion survey of 994 adults who were interviewed by telephone in February.

After hearing arguments in favor of a \$1 tax increase, 60 percent of both Republicans and Democrats surveyed said they supported

the tax, according to the Cancer Society.

The poll also said fewer than one in four adults felt the \$1 increase would hurt them or their family financially.

In a survey of teen-agers, 74 percent said a \$1 cigarette tax increase would discourage them from smoking and would have more impact on them than any other anti-smoking measure, Sener said.

"We have the opportunity to cut the number of underage smokers in Illinois by almost one half, with just one initiative," he contended.

He said the society's 80,000 volunteers in Illinois will lobby lawmakers this spring to pass the tax increase.

However, state cigarette tax increases proposed in previous years by Gov. Jim Edgar and former Gov. James Thompson have failed in the Legislature.

—From the Alton Telegraph

Chest wound was fatal to store clerk

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

A chest wound proved fatal to a convenience store clerk who was gunned down by youths in a Feb. 27 robbery.

Madison County Coroner's Investigator Ed Morton testified Wednesday during a coroner's inquest into the death of Hugh Harrigan that the clerk had been shot twice.

One shot struck Harrigan, 56, in the chest and a second shot struck him in one leg and then exited before striking his other leg, Morton said.

His body was discovered about 1 a.m. Feb. 27 in the Pontoon Beach 7-Eleven/Shell Super station at 4160 Pontoon Road.

Morton said one handgun, a .38-caliber automatic, was used. It was recovered on the parking lot in front of the store.

Three youths have been charged as adults with first-degree murder and armed robbery in the case.

They are Shaun J. Jackowski, 15, and Lorenzo Long, 17, both of Terre Haute, Ind.; and David J. Keller, 15, of Troy. All three are being held in lieu of \$500,000 bond each.

Madison County State Attorney William Haine has announced his intention to seek life imprisonment for the trio. Because of their ages, they are not eligible for the death penalty.

Bogus ticketing bill weakened

SPRINGFIELD — A bill forcing Chicago to reimburse motorists who fight the city's bogus parking tickets has lost some of its punch.

Sponsored by Sen. Richard Klemm, R-Crystal Lake, the bill originally would have required cities to reimburse the cost of fighting bogus tickets, including attorney fees, travel expenses, court costs and lost work time.

Klemm amended the bill to gain Senate committee approval Tuesday. The new version only requires cities to reimburse people for court filing fees.

"Many are just paying for it because they don't want to be bothered with the nuisance," Klemm said. "They get a seizure notice and it scares the living pants off of some people."

Several thousand people in the Metro East have received erroneous tickets, according to Dennis Orsey, assistant attorney general at the Granite City regional office. His office has helped several hundred people fight those tickets in just the last three months.

—From the Alton Telegraph

Police log Granite City

Arrested for slapping

Mark J. Gauen, 37, of the 2700 block of Swan Drive, was arrested at 12:36 a.m. March 15 for domestic battery.

An officer reported seeing Gauen slapping his girlfriend while the two occupied a car at Taco Bell, 2167 Madison Ave. Gauen posted \$107 and was released.

Motorist is charged

Leo J. Six Jr., 42, of Mount Olive was arrested at 2:36 a.m. March 14 for driving under the influence of alcohol.

An officer stopped a silver 1989 Chevrolet Blazer at 30th Street and Madison Avenue for allegedly following other cars, according to a police report.

The driver took three field sobriety tests and a breath analysis test and was charged.

Arrested on Nameoki

Wanda "Maxine" Nunneny, 50, of the 2500 block of Washington Avenue, was arrested at 10:31

p.m. March 13 for driving under the influence of alcohol.

An officer reported stopping a gray 1986 Chevrolet Cavalier after the car nearly struck a squad car at East 27th Street and Nameoki Road.

Nunneny, the driver, took three field sobriety tests and a breath analysis test and was charged.

Domestic battery arrest

George D. Hansel, 28, of Fairview Heights was arrested at 10:05 a.m. March 13 for domestic battery.

He is alleged to have slapped his girlfriend in the face and punched her on the back of her head in an incident in the 900 block of Kirkpatrick Homes.

Hansel was released after posting \$107 bail.

Three charged filed

Frank L. Robertson, 35, of the first block of Mallard Drive, was arrested at 2:52 a.m. March 13 for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving while his license was revoked and improper lane usage.

Delivery of cannabis

Cathy S. Connick, 20, of the 2100 block of Cleveland Boulevard, turned herself in to Granite City authorities at 11 p.m. March 12 on a Coles County warrant charging her with unlawful delivery of cannabis.

She was lodged pending \$102 cash bail.

Husband arrested

Thomas "T.J." Richardson, 20, of the 3500 block of Kirkpatrick was arrested at 3:54 p.m. March 12 for domestic battery.

He allegedly grabbed his estranged wife by the neck and punched her in the eye. He was lodged pending \$107 bail.

Governor joins ethics bandwagon

Gov. Jim Edgar will seek legislation to require more public disclosure of state and local contracts and competitive bidding for state leases.

The governor also said he supports Secretary of State George Ryan's call for legislation requiring lobbyists to disclose what they spend to influence lawmakers and executive branch officials.

Edgar jumped on a crowded ethics bandwagon, with dozens of bills introduced this legislative session after news media reports criticizing political favoritism in the awarding of contracts and leases, primarily under the 14-year administration of former Gov. James Thompson, but in some cases continuing into Edgar's reign.

State government ethics bills have fared poorly in the past and in most cases are killed in committee.

"I think there is a better opportunity this year than something will happen in the area of ethics," Edgar said.

Sen. Walter Dwyer, R-Chicago, will be the chief sponsor of the ethics package and said a Senate subcommittee he chaired planned to come up with a single bill combining the Edgar and Ryan proposals as well as possibly others.

Although his administration

has come under fire for giving some lucrative contracts to former state employees who took early retirement and to former Republican lawmakers, Edgar contended he has "eliminated dozens of no-bid contracts and have repeatedly told my staff and cabinet that I will not tolerate make-work or no-work contracts."

Currently, artistic or professional contracts do not require competitive bidding.

One of the changes Edgar proposed would require contracts of \$10,000 or more to be subject to competitive bidding unless it was for legal services representing a state government agency or employee in a lawsuit or a documented need for specific expertise.

If a contract was awarded under those exemptions, the state agency would be required to publicize the name of the contractor, the amount and a description of the purpose.

Other legislation backed by Edgar would require new leases or leases for office space rented by the state to be advertised for proposals. A written report would be required, detailing negotiations with all qualified parties and the justification for

the final selection.

Many state lease contracts in the past have been awarded to firms with connections to prominent Republican activists and contributors, such as Springfield businessman William Cellini, the largest shareholder in the Alton Belle Riverboat Casino.

The proposed bill would also require at least two appraisals before state government could purchase a building costing more than \$100,000.

Edgar also called for legislation requiring any state or local government employee who plays a role in awarding government contracts to file an economic disclosure statement indicating any potential conflicts of interest.

However, Edgar said he was against some bills introduced by Democrats in the legislature that would bar campaign contributors from receiving state contracts.

The governor also said he was supporting a request by the State Board of Elections to expand its computer system so records of campaign contributions and spending can be accessed and monitored more easily by the public and news media.

—From the Alton Telegraph

Briefly

Presidential search begins

The search for a new president of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville got under way March 11 as SIUE Chancellor James M. Brown began the process of putting together a search committee.

Brown plans to appoint three faculty members, one civil service member, one administrative/professional member, one student member, one alumni member and one SIUE Foundation member to serve on the committee. He also will appoint a chair to lead the group. The chair will have no vote.

Brown sent letters to the university's various groups asking for search committee nominations. He hopes to begin reviewing those nominations in late March.

Brown has been talking with SIUE representatives about the qualities needed in a university leader since the first of the year when President Earl E. Lazerson announced his retirement plans. Lazerson, who became president in 1980, will step down Dec. 31.

Ainad Temple elects head

David L. McCann of Mt. Vernon was elected the 81st Potentate of Ainad Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Ainad Shrine Temple is located in East St. Louis and is home to over 7,400 Shriners in the lower third of Illinois.

Shriners work and support the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled and Burned Children.

Brown, a graduate of Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, is married to Dolores Eater McCann and they have one son, Michael, and daughter-in-law Mary Ann.

Michael and Mary Ann have two sons, Timothy and Christopher. McCann is self-employed and is president of a heating and air-conditioning company located in Mt. Vernon and Centralia.

McCann's term as Potentate will continue through December of 1993, at which time he will have completed 11 consecutive years as an officer of Ainad Shrine Temple.

PAL Run, April 3

The Madison County Humane Society will hold its annual PAL Run at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 3, at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. It is the only Metro East area run where runners are encouraged to run with their canine companions.

Dogs and runners receive trophies, and pre-run contests include a dog and owner look-alike contest and best dog in costume contest. The first 250 registered will receive PAL run T-shirts.

Craig Virgin, three-time Olympian and two-time cross-country champion is the celebrity participant and Ray Hartmann, editor and publisher of the Riverfront Times, is the celebrity chairperson.

April is National Prevent a Litter Month. To obtain run entry forms, call 345-6108.

Census survey planned

Local representatives of the U.S. Census Bureau will visit selected area households beginning April 1 to conduct its Survey of Income and Program Participation, Marvin L. Postmas, director of the bureau's Kansas City regional office, announced recently.

SIPP is a continuing nationwide survey introduced in the fall of 1983. It is one of the nation's largest, with about 60,000 households participating.

The Census Bureau publishes periodic reports with information from the survey. Subjects covered include the following:

- Jobs and earnings.
- How taxes affect personal spending.
- Participation in programs such as Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps and pension plans.

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The U.S. EPA public notice that appeared in the March 11, 1993, edition of this newspaper contained an incorrect address for the Madison Recreation Center. The correct address is listed below.



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The meetings will be held to answer questions and concerns from the public about the upcoming rapid response clean-up at the site.

In GRANITE CITY, IL:

March 22, 1993

2 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.

City Hall Building

City Hall Chambers Room, 2nd Floor

In VENICE, IL:

March 23, 1993

2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.

Senior Citizens Building

Brown and Klein Streets

In MADISON, IL:

March 23 and 24, 1993

9 a.m. - 12 p.m., Tues.

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m., Wed.

Madison Recreation Center

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County OKs plan for hospital autopsy space

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

An agreement with area hospitals that would provide space for the Madison County coroner to conduct autopsies has brought the battle for a Madison County morgue back to the forefront.

The resolution approved by the Madison County Board at its meeting Wednesday sealed an agreement with Anderson Hospital in Maryville and Alton Memorial Hospital to use space in their buildings — at no charge — to conduct autopsies. Most autopsies are currently done in funeral home preparation rooms.

The measure may keep Madison County Coroner Dallas Burke from losing her long-time pathology.

Dr. Raj Nanduri, an O'Fallon forensic pathologist who performs an average of 125 autopsies a year for Madison County, originally gave the county 90 days to provide her with adequate facilities in which to work. Nanduri has performed autopsies for the county for seven years on a per cash basis at \$25 each.

Losing Nanduri would put the county in the precarious position of finding a replacement from 400 forensic pathologists and less than 16,000 other pathologists nationwide.

"We're lucky to have a forensic pathologist," Burke said. "Hospital pathologists don't want to do coroner autopsies because they don't have the time to get tied up in court."

"I've been fighting for a morgue for 10 years," Coroner Dallas Burke said. "I told her there was no way we were getting one in 90 days."

The agreement with the hospitals may keep Nanduri working for the county, but

it hasn't stopped Burke from trying to get a morgue.

Her office is working to provide cost figures to the County Buildings Committee within the next week or two, she said. Burke has her sights set on the county's former Environmental Control Lab on Troy Road as the morgue's site.

The county uses the upper portion for storage but her office would only be interested in the ground level, she said.

Because of the building's former status, it already has much of the plumbing and electrical needs for equipment that a morgue would need, Burke said. A ventilation system would likely be the most expensive item needed for the transition.

Burke's office already has a pathologist's table, a pathologist's sink and a four-body cooler, courtesy of the state. She said the equipment came from the former Alton Mental Health Center which, when it housed 2,000 patients, had its own morgue.

"This equipment would be a great savings to the county," Burke said. "It puts us off to a good start."

Nanduri has performed autopsies on decomposed bodies in garages with a single, insufficient overhead light, and in 10-degree weather because of the lack of a proper place to do them.

"A morgue would provide us with storage for decomposed bodies other than garages or fields," Burke said. "The funeral homes don't want to take them in because it could take weeks to get rid of the odor. I don't blame them."

Burke said she has never been able to understand why a county the size of Madison with 250,000 residents doesn't have a morgue when several of its smaller counterparts do.

Bill would boost gambling tax

A state legislator is trying to help education's ship come in by boosting taxes on riverboat gambling.

Sen. Art Berman of Chicago is proposing to double the per-passenger admission tax to \$4, with the extra \$2 going to the state education assistance fund.

The current \$2 admission tax is split between the state and the local government host of the boat.

The bill also would change the 20 percent tax on passenger gambling losses to 25 percent on the first \$35 million a year; 35 percent on the next \$15 million and 45 percent on any amount over \$50 million.

Local governments would continue to get a fourth of the loss tax. Alton has reaped \$3.4 million in loss-tax revenues since the Alton Belle Riverboat Casino's launch in September 1991.

The Alton Belle had taxable gambling revenues last year of about \$50 million. Under Berman's plan, the Belle would have dished out \$14 million in loss taxes instead of \$10 million. Alton's share would have been \$3.5 million instead of \$2.5 million.

Berman could not be reached for comment on why he had introduced the bill.

although he has been a strong supporter of increased state aid for education.

Alton Belle chief operating officer H. Steven Horton said through spokesman John Reichert, "With all the competition upcoming, this would not be the best time to raise the tax."

Under Berman's bill, Illinois would have the highest gambling taxes of any state with riverboat gambling.

The Missouri tax is 5 percent on the first \$1 million, 12 percent on the next \$3 million and 20 percent on amounts over that, plus a maximum \$1 admission tax. Boats are expected to launch in St. Louis and St. Charles, Mo.

At the current tax rates, the state is expected to net \$54 million and local governments \$24 million during the fiscal year ending June 30 from operations of six Illinois boats.

With nine to 10 boats expected to be in the water by the end of the next fiscal year, those amounts are projected to increase to \$90 million for the state and \$41.5 million for local governments next fiscal year, according to the Illinois Gaming Board.

— From the Alton Telegraph

Bill targets ex-state workers

SPRINGFIELD — There's a revolving door at the Illinois Department of Insurance that needs to be closed, according to Rep. Louis Lang, D-Skokie.

Lang said Tuesday that executives pass through the door from insurance companies to the upper levels of the department. After a few years, he said, they head back to the insurance business.

While not pointing any fingers or accusing anyone of wrongdoing, he said the turnover creates the appearance of unethical behavior and should be stopped.

"Insurance regulators repeatedly work against consumer legislation and work against the kind of measures that we've been working for for the last several years, and then take jobs in the insurance business," Lang said. "It appears to the people in the state of Illinois that there's something going on that needs to be addressed."

Lang has introduced a bill that would

bar these who leave the highest positions within the department from working for insurance companies for two years.

William McNary, executive director of Illinois Public Action, said the department has opposed issues such as prior approval for rate increases, discounts for good drivers, prohibiting sex discrimination and publishing a competitive price guide for consumers.

He said the opposition raises concerns that the department isn't looking out for the interests of consumers.

Lang admitted his bill won't completely sever ties between government officials and the companies they regulate.

He said there are "revolving doors" at other agencies and even in the Legislature but hopes that will not keep his bill from becoming law.

An Insurance Department spokesman could not be reached for comment.

— From the Alton Telegraph



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Carnival — The Granite City Park District held its Winter Carnival March 11. In top left photo, five-year-old Sara Legate salutes during the Drill Team's presentation. In top right photo, Katie Hubbard is shown during the jazz dance portion of the program. In middle photo, third-through sixth-grade girls pose before their performance. At bottom left, five-year-old Emily Gavinsky gets ready to perform in the kindergarten through second-grade ballet. At bottom right, Amanda Crabtree, 14, performs a baton routine.



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Opinion

Editorials Young need time and money

It's broke and a million dollars in debt, so without a doubt the Madison School District will soon be faced with selling the voters a tax increase.

No one needs the U.S. Census Bureau to tell them that a majority of the Madison taxpayers — with an average age nearing the golden years — do not have children in school. Chances are, the majority also don't have grandchildren, nieces and nephews, or any other immediate relatives attending Madison schools.

So even a very small tax increase is going to be a hard sell. Why should people who have no children or grandchildren in school care about the school district? What will the school district give these taxpayers in return for their hard-earned money?

The answer, of course, should be young men and women who have acquired the knowledge, learned the skills and attained the social development necessary to make them good, productive citizens who ensure that Madison has a bright future and will remain a good place to live, work and raise a family.

This is a lofty goal, but anyone who has the opportunity to visit a Madison classroom will come away convinced — for the vast majority of the young men and women in school — that the goal is currently being met.

It is a different impression, however, if judgment of the young men and women of Madison is based on the seemingly shiftless bands of young people whose loud, often threatening, behavior have quickened the pulses of pedestrians and caused longtime residents to retreat behind the locked doors of their homes.

While it may surprise many people, the fact is that both groups, in the classroom and on the street, are made up of the same young people.

The Madison schools are doing the job — young men and women are being prepared to become good citizens — and the schools need not deserve the financial support of the taxpayers. But willingness to invest more money is not enough. Madison taxpayers must also be willing to take steps to protect their investment.

What would happen if every adult in Madison set aside one hour a week to go somewhere and do something with young people? Do homework, play checkers, read books, dance, work on cars, debate current issues, write poetry, sing folk songs, build furniture, make clothes, play music, build electric motors, learn quilting, make science projects, build model trains, write newspaper articles, play sports, study astronomy, learn plumbing, do whatever adults and young people can enjoy doing together.

It would be a miracle. Sure, it will take a miracle to convince the adults to give an hour a week. Sure, it will take a miracle to convince the young people that the adults are serious. And, no doubt, the logistics of coming up with times and places will also require a miracle. But if the people of Madison are willing to work miracles, they can expect the miraculous.

For the young people and the future of the city, the taxpayers of Madison should be willing to agree to pay more for their schools.

But for themselves and the present, the taxpayers of Madison must also invest more than money in their young people. And the time to start is right now.

For St. Pat's, 'Little Bit of Heaven' OK but just don't sing 'Mother MacCre'!

By Carol Clarkin,
columnist for the
Edwardsville Journal

Carol's tribute to St. Patrick's Day:

If you're seekin' me on St. Patrick's Day, you'll find me more than likely find me, not where the River Shannon flows, but in one of the local ale houses, raising a toast or two with friends Nicole and Ernie and, perhaps, Bev. Maybe Ed will join us.

I'll try to find something green to wear. Nicole plans to sport her "St. Patrick was a saint, but I'm not" pin and Ernie her pin which proclaims "I'm a drink" — whatever the guy on the floor had.

Nicole has an honest reason to observe the day. I can't speak to the ancestral background of the other two ladies.

I'm ersatz Irish; the closest I can claim is that on my maternal side, some Rabbs (Robb, originally) spent less than a generation in Derry after emigration from Scotland and before moving onward to America early in the 18th century.

Husband, Ed has more honest claim. The paternal side of his family came from County Galway.

But, after all, on St. Patrick's Day, we're all Irish, or so they tell me.

And it may even be true, if spirit counts. Who can resist, as winter wears down, the weariness of the green? Or the honoring of the land of saints, scholars, poets and drunks?

I prefer Sheridan's description, "Ireland, the land of happy wars and sad love songs."

I'll eschew the Paddy Day parades. Too long, too crowded, and I'm tired of hearing about the battling about whether to let Irish gays or covert supporters of the Irish Republican Army join in the march.

I'll also pass on the green beer and corned beef and cabbage. A sip or two of Jamieson or Irish Mist, if you please.

If I were to opt for corned beef, make mine a sandwich from a really good Jewish deli. I'll stay local, too. McGurk's would be fun, but you'd never get in on St. Patrick's Day.

Since our planned party can't begin until the close of work for my friends, I plan to get in the

proper mood early on, but at home.

I might even bake some Irish soda bread, but I most certainly will drag out my old Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem records to set the proper mood. Listen to the rousing "Brennan on the Moor" and "The West's Awake."

The mournful "Young Roddy McCorley" and "Kelly, the Boy from Kesh" will be the answer to deficit reduction.

The jaunty "Rosin the Bow" and "One-eyed Reilly's Daughter" and the rollicking "Moonshiner" and "Jug of Punch," in which the singer, after celebrating the joys of being seated in an ale house with a pretty wench on his knee and a jug of punch on the table, asks that eventually, he be buried in his "nave peat, with a jug of punch at my head and feet."

That should set the tone for the evening celebration where, I'm sure, I'll be more apt to hear more Irish-American songs than those which are truly Irish.

But I won't knock those, either: who can resist "Galway Bay" or "A Little Bit of Heaven" — the me from "Mother MacCre."

A wise man once noted that only Irish coffee provides in a bar the same essential food groups: alcohol, caffeine, sugar and fat; so I can satisfy my nutritional needs, lifting my cup to the my friends of Irish descent, and they have been many, living and dead.

The Ryans — Bill, Dick, Maurice, Jane E. — Carol, The Devlins, especially Helen, The Brennans, the McGuinnesses, the Duffners, the Days, the Spreens. Most particularly, Arthur James Gillespie and Gaylord Patrick O'Connor, wherever they are.

If you think these may be several glasses too many, remember, as long as they have a blade of grass to hang onto.

After all, a good party's a good party, and I'm surely not opposed to that, Irish or not.

In fact, at least for St. Patrick's Day, I'll subscribe to the old Killybegs support.

"Ireland was Ireland when England was a pup, and Ireland will be Ireland when England's time is up."



War on drugs overloading Illinois prisons

By Michael Finch, the Illinois executive director of the Heartland Institute

Gov. Jim Edgar's Task Force on Crime and Corrections will report in March its final recommendations for ways to address the state's serious and growing prison overcrowding problem.

The task force's preliminary report was rejected by the governor for its key recommendation: increased funding for prison construction.

The governor recognizes, as must his task force members, that the system is in dire need of more dramatic reform.

To come to grips with the overcrowding crisis, task force members must accept certain truths.

In 1990, Illinois had the fastest-growing prison population in the nation between 1980 and 1990. The inmate population in Illinois grew from 24,869 inmates to 31,066, an increase of more than 25 percent.

Despite spending \$459 million to build 15 prisons in 15 years, Illinois' corrections system is more crowded than ever — operating in late 1992 at 151 percent of capacity.

Our guest

It seems that the more prisons we build, the more quickly they become overcrowded.

Why can't we keep up? Why did the task force's preliminary recommendations fall so far short of a long-term solution?

Because very few policy makers and opinion leaders in Illinois are willing to challenge, head-on, the underlying problem: the war on drugs.

Drug law enforcement is the most significant cause of the crowded conditions that afflict the Illinois corrections system.

Between 1984 and 1991, the number of drug offenders admitted to prison increased by 64.8 percent. By contrast, non-drug prison admissions increased by 44.1 percent.

The average length of sentence for drug offenders in Illinois increased by 17 percent during this period. In 1985, 4.5 percent of the total prison population had been admitted with a drug charge as their principal offense; by 1991, that figure had

quadrupled, to 18 percent. A rapidly increasing share of Illinois' other criminal-justice resources also is devoted to the war on drugs.

Drug arrests rose almost three times faster than arrests for Index I crimes (murder, manslaughter, sex offenses, robbery, burglary, assault, larceny and auto theft) between 1984 and 1989. In 1984, one drug arrest was made for every 2.9 Index I arrests.

Because of the flow of drug offenders into the state's prisons and jails, convicted non-drug offenders have been released early from state prisons. And accused felons have been released without bail from local jails.

More than 80 percent of all felony cases in Illinois are settled through plea bargaining rather than by trial.

To address the congestion at every level of Illinois' criminal justice system requires nothing less than a new battle plan in the war on drugs.

It's time we acknowledge that the enemy in this war is not everyone who uses drugs.

Most of these people are "innocent bystanders" who all

too often are hurt by our badly targeted drug war.

The real enemy is a much smaller force: drug users and sellers who hurt other people by committing non-drug crimes.

To deal with alcohol and cigarettes — addictive substances not unlike many currently illegal drugs — we have adopted a strategy far more successful than the war on drugs has been.

We've banned cigarette and alcohol users with information about the dangers of their habits; we encourage them to seek treatment when they become clearly dangerous to themselves; but we imprison them or mandate treatment only when they endanger others. Why do we treat illicit drug users differently?

The war on drugs has strained the state's criminal justice system well beyond its limits.

If the Governor's Task Force on Crime and Corrections doesn't have the courage to recommend adoption of a bold new strategy for fighting that war, Gov. Edgar, or his successor years down the road, will find it necessary to appoint yet another task force to discuss the same things they are discussing today.

Letters

'Public servants' should sacrifice

TO THE EDITOR: All of us have sacrificed more and more of our income each and every day, only to see it go to the state for its wasteful spending and bigger deficits.

We are once again being told that more taxes and bigger government are the answer to deficit reduction.

Federal, state and local government employees are being offered early retirement while the average American citizen is being asked to work longer before drawing meager Social Security benefits. To make matters worse, government is attempting to shame you and me into accepting a Social Security benefit reduction.

You and I are being told that we must reduce our benefits and "bite the bullet" while bureaucrats continue to enjoy the same lavish lifestyles and draw more than generous salaries.

Let's be fair. Why don't government employees, our public servants, give up a share of their pensions and retirement benefits? They can live on the same income level they have determined is adequate for us.

They are attempting to shame us into feeling it is our duty to work harder and longer for less and less. It is they who must set the example. They will not accept the blame for their waste and mismanagement. Government will not use higher taxes to reduce the deficit. It is a pipe dream to think that taxes will be used to reduce the deficit.

We are burdened with this deficit because there is too much wasteful spending, not because you and I pay too little taxes.

I will not support any tax increase of any kind until I see substantial cuts in federal, state and local government expenditures. Salaries and benefits of employees of government agencies must be reduced to where they are more in line with that of the average American citizen.

I demand sacrifice on the part of everyone. That sacrifice must begin with the very same people who our tax dollars support.

Here is my message to all public servants: If you want me to sacrifice and contribute, you must set the example. You must

adjust your standard of living.

You must work harder and longer. I am disgusted and no longer willing to be a sub-servant of public servants.

DENNIS L. HETTENHAUSEN
Edwardsville

Snow gone fast

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to thank the Street Department for plowing the snow so hastily on Colgate Place the morning after the snow storm. Rarely is this street cleaned after a snowfall, and seems as though it takes forever for the snow to melt.

It is such a pleasure to back out of one's driveway and have to drive on a slippery street or clumps of ice and snow. The homeowners on Colgate Place are very grateful. Keep up the good work.

HELEN TUDOROFF
Granite City

Ending collection will save money

TO THE EDITOR:

While no one likes to see local jobs and services eliminated, the township was under constant fire by some individuals and news media about retaining a township (real estate tax) collector.

Venice and Granite City townships were the only townships south of Chicago, as far as I know, where the collectors actually performed the collection and distribution procedure.

Even though the computerization I instituted helped us greatly to go on-line with the county distributions, the only way we could continue to keep up with the improving technology would be to go on-line with the county treasurer's computer system.

This would allow us to share data instantly, continuously update records, bills paid, and assist in balancing receipts and making payments.

However, this next step would have cost Venice Township thousands of dollars to upgrade equipment, and involved high monthly bills for extra data transmission telephone lines.

After careful consideration in weighing the positives and negatives, Supervisor (Richard) Paterson made the recommendation that the collector position be eliminated (and replaced by county collection).

Considering the collector's salary, office help, equipment, and other expenses, I feel the correct decision was made.

Paterson saved the money saved can be channeled into increased services for the youth and the senior citizens of the township, and I applaud that effort.

CASEY KRAKOWIECKI
Venice Township collector

Need center for young criminals

TO THE EDITOR:

If Madison County had been without a detention facility, the juveniles charged with murdering the Pontiac Beach 7-11 attendant might have been sent home pending their trial.

Juvenile detention facilities

throughout the state are frequently at capacity. Some must refuse cell space to other counties for juveniles charged with committing crimes.

Citizens of our county are constantly reminded of the need for a facility by the ever-growing problem of juvenile crime.

Since juvenile crime is not going away, as reflected by unsolved criminal acts like the killing of Mr. Hugh Harrigan, it is imperative for Madison County to maintain a facility to house serious juvenile offenders.

Citizens can help. By voting April 20 for the tax to build a detention facility to handle the increasing volume of juvenile offenders, citizens can continue to feel safe in their own community.

Failure to pass this referendum could result in juveniles committing heinous crimes without fear of incarceration.

The choice belongs to the citizens as to how safe they want their community to be.

SCOTT J. ELLIFF
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Lions' eye bank makes a difference



Lucille Martin

Lucille Martin covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-0731.

The Lions Eye Tissue Bank of Illinois and Missouri help make many changes in the lives of people who need help and the Lions Club likes to keep the public aware of glaucoma detection, eyeglass recycling and happy endings of eye tissue repair, like Barbara Allen's story.

When a virus caused the need for a cornea transplant 20 years ago, it was a major surgical procedure requiring a week of hospitalization and many restrictions. Allen of Springfield clearly remembers the stitches feeling like ropes and the feeling of sand in her eyes 24 hours a day. She had contracted a virus that settled mostly in her left eye area; it formed lesions on the cornea and she depended entirely on her right eye to see. In 1971 her ophthalmologist placed her name on the waiting list at the eye tissue bank. The cornea needed to be replaced due to lesions and scarring.

In a short time the cornea surgery was performed on an outpatient basis. This time she spent one night in the hospital and didn't even feel the stitches. If a third transplant is needed in the future, she isn't worried and she would be glad to tell that to everyone. Officials of the Lions Eye Tissue Bank are pleased she feels that way and encourage anyone in need of eye surgery to contact them for help.

The Madison County Baptist Association held a special kickoff service to the Home Missions Emphasis Saturday evening in the Pontoon Baptist Church, 4000 Highway 111, Hartsville. Ed Hart opened the meeting with a welcome to all the guests from Bethesda, Grace, Second, Third, Suburban and Pontoon Baptist churches. Director of Missions Bob Carter led in prayer and Dan Whitehead of Second Baptist led the congregation in singing "Tell The Good News."

Language Missions Home Missionary Pete Rivera of the Chicago area spoke of different dialects in Chicago, deaf ministries, the Spanish-speaking groups in our backyard in Fairmont City, Korean congregations in the Belleville area and migrant ministry with over 4,000 workers coming from Texas this summer to help harvest the crops.

The "Encouragers," Dan Whitehead, Brian Smith and Mary Tadlock of Second Baptist sang "How Long Has It Been?" accompanied by Esther Wilson, pianist. Mission Service Corp. Volunteer Elmer Mundy of Duluth, Minn., has started 30 churches under his ministry over 30 years. Working in Rice Lake, Wis., at present with a population of 15,000 with no building, the group meets in a rest home, with 28 attending Bible study.

The congregation sang "Rescue the Perishing." Chet Cantrell, director of Christian Activity Center of East St. Louis, spoke on East St. Louis being the third poorest city in the nation. Forty percent of the poorest places in the nation are in Illinois. East St. Louis is a city of poverty, drug abuse and low self-esteem. He said our ministry is to give hope, help and empowerment; and to try to create alternative to the streets, a backyard to the street.

His minister to 213 children a day with programs consisting of basketball, crafts, karate, etc. Cantrell said, "Everything they do is to help in raising kids in the way they should go, making a place for them to see that Jesus lives here." Tony Murray, church planter missionary of Grand Rapids, Minn., told of pastoring two churches in northern Minnesota. The Split Hard Baptist Church and Freestone Baptist Chapel. A native of Texas, he has been working three years with both rural churches. There are 19 churches in the Northwest Baptist Association. He spoke on, "We are Kingdom Builders," building churches from standing timber on a seven and half acre plot and building a \$40,000 pine church debt free.

Tony closed with a poem, "Freestone Baptist Church." The rally closed with the singing of "Take My Life, Lord." and prayer by Brother Elwyn Wilkinson, moderator of Madison County Baptist Association.

By Ann-Marie Campos and Bob Slate
Staff writers

Whether it's learning a trade or craft or how to play a sport, left-handed individuals have to learn to adapt to a right-handed world.

While some natural lefties will choose to struggle with the awkwardness of learning a task the right-handed way, others will stick it out and find a way to change the task to fit their left hands.

"Sometimes, I guess, we (lefties) have to work a little harder to learn how to do things. But I'm really not too sure. Since I've never been right-handed, I don't know that (being a leftie) is all that different or more difficult," said Sandy Shaw of Granite City.

There are the obvious things, like when you sit down to eat; they always put you on the corner.

"Of course," Shaw, 46, said that problem at our house."

That is because her husband, Bob, and all three sons, Bob, Steve and Bryan, are also left-handed.

There are contradictory theories in the medical profession as to the relationship between a person's hand preference and which side of the person's brain dominates. The left side of the brain is related to language and deductive reasoning. The right side deals with impressions, spatial relationships and emotional analysis.

"My feeling is that left-handers are less likely to obey the rules. It seems that among left-handers you'll find more extremes. They have a collection of strengths and weaknesses, such as IQ scores, artistic abilities or anything that the brain helps us to learn," said Dr. Vincent Gibbons, pediatric neurologist at St. Louis University Medical Center and Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital (and also a leftie).

"Out of 100 right-handers, seven or eight will have unusual strengths or weaknesses. Out of 100 left-handers, 20 or 30 will have unusual strengths or weaknesses."

Regardless whether the person is exceptionally gifted or deprived of certain skills, one thing is certain: left-handers' process of learning is more noticeable.

"There are some things that are more



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

The Shaw family. In the front row from left are Bob and Steve. In the back row from left are Bob, Sandy and Bryan.

difficult for left-handers, like tying your shoes — I distinctly remember it was hard for me to learn to tie my shoes when I was little — knitting, and pouring from a ladle. Ladles are made for right-handed people," Shaw said. She said that, rather than pour with her right hand, she uses her left hand and sometimes makes a mess.

While in the minority, Gibbons said he

and the Shaws are part of an estimated 10 percent of the world population who are left handed.

Gibbons said that a person's left- or right-hand preference can be genetic, or for a small group of left-handers, it's the result of a right-handed weakness.

Gibbons said the weakness is oftentimes so minute that it can't be detected without a series of tests. The result is the left hand becomes the preferred hand.

Gibbons said one determining factor is the way in which a left-handed person writes. If a leftie holds his or her hand and pen upward, like right-handers do, the person is probably left-handed by nature. If the person arches his or her hand, as if writing upside down, it could be a sign that the person is left-handed due to a right-handed weakness.

Lefties who fit the latter description shouldn't fret. Gibbons said there isn't any concrete evidence supporting the theory. He has seen plenty of lefties who arch their wrists in a "C" shape that do not have a right-handed weakness. He said such writing habits could be brought on by a right-handed person teaching the leftie how to write.

Regardless of which writing position a left-handed uses, many agree that one of the basic lessons — writing — brings many frustrations that range from smearing the ink to writing on a desk designed for a right-hander.

"Nowadays the biggest problem is getting ink on my hand when I'm writing,

When I was young, it was finding a baseball mitt for a left hander," Gibbons said.

"I use a three-ring binder in my job, and sometimes it gets in the way," Shaw said.

"I never had the problem of smearing ink because I keep my hand below the line, and hold the pen upright," Shaw said.

"But my husband, Bob, turns his paper sideways and kind of writes upside-down."

She described Bob's penmanship as "a little hard to read."

"My son, Steve, took guitar lessons for awhile, but didn't learn too much," Shaw said.

"After some time, they realized he was left-handed and they were trying to teach him to play right-handed," she said.

But medical professionals warn people against forcing a left-hander to become right-handed. Forcing a change just causes unnecessary stress which could eventually lead to greater nervousness and stressful problems such as stuttering.

I had a teacher in first grade who tried to make me right-handed by having me pick up a pencil off the floor with my right hand," Shaw said.

"But that didn't last too long after I told my mother about it."

Some left-handers have found their preference to be a gift.

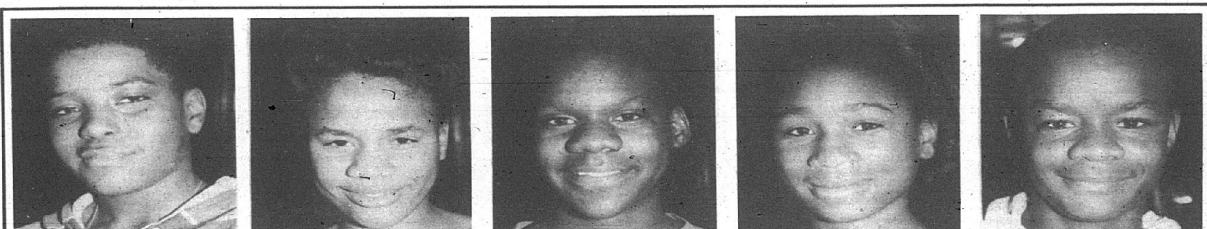
In some sports — baseball and tennis

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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

The Shaws' license plate.



David Taylor

Erika Price

Debra Armstrong

Monika Bradley

Frank Hill

By Pam Doepke-Hurd.

YOUTH FOCUS: What makes you feel good about yourself?

David Taylor, Venice
"What makes me feel good about myself is when I set one of my goals in life. Like when I passed to Junior High. I was very happy."

Jason Keller, Madison
"What makes me feel good is it's just who I am."

Erika Price, Venice
"The things that make me feel good about myself are that I make good grades, and my family. I also like it when other people compliment me and my family values. I also enjoy the way I respect my friends."

Debra Armstrong, Venice
"What makes me feel good about myself is that I have respect for others and myself. Also, that I make good grades. I'm smart for my age. I'm smarter than people know. I have friends and I have good teachers and parents."

Emmitt Gordon, Madison
"What makes me feel good is that I am a young, black, intelligent boy and play basketball for Madison Middle."

Joe Aguilar, Granite City
"I feel good about myself when I make an 'A' on a test. I feel good when I clean the house or help my dad wash the car. I like to feel good about myself because I know in my heart that I can be the best if I believe in myself."

Jeff Potts, Madison
"What makes me feel good is when my mom lets me do stuff. Then I know she trusts me."

Maurice Baker, Madison
"What makes me feel good about myself is when I passed my test in math, reading, spelling, science and geography."

Shawntay Fitzgerald, Madison
"What makes me feel good about myself is getting good grades and other things, such as having fun."

Monika Bradley, Venice
"What makes me feel good about myself is that I have a family which is there for me thick and thin. They take good care of me. I also have friends that I can trust and who are always there for me."

Frank Hill, Venice
"What makes me feel good about myself is when I do something good in school and when I make my parents proud. Or when I get something from my mom or dad. Or when I just have a good day in school."

Cecilia Brown, Granite City
"I feel good about myself when I get compliments from people. I also feel good about myself because I don't smoke or do drugs. Getting good grades at school makes me feel good, too. When I can admit that I have done something wrong, even though I get punished sometimes, I feel good about myself. Making new friends helps, too."

David Colp, Granite City
"I feel good about myself when I get good grades on my report card. And when I go out for sports and make the team. If I make a good play on a team it makes me feel good, too. Helping someone else makes me feel good."

Jessica Lee, Granite City
"I feel good when I do something good for someone else or do something right. I feel good about myself when my mother is proud of me."

Nicole Frazier, Granite City
"There are a few things that make me feel good about myself. One thing is when I know I did well on one of my tests at school. Another thing is when I make a basket in basketball. Another is when I get good grades on my report card. These are the main things that make me feel good about myself."

Marie Papp, Granite City
"There are many things that I like about myself. I believe I'm smart, because I make good grades and I am also in all of the accelerated classes in school. I think I'm talented in sports because I have been on three select teams for the past four years. I consider myself nice because I have a lot of friends who think I'm a nice person to be good friends with. There are three examples of what makes me feel good about myself."

Tiffany Jones, Granite City
"I feel good about myself because I try my hardest when I'm doing something and know that I am doing the best I can. I also feel good when I can depend upon myself instead of someone else to take care of my responsibilities."

Chris Richter, Granite City
"I feel good about myself when I make the team for a sport or when I win at something. But most of all I feel good when I make the paper or something like that. My hopes get up so high to be in the paper because I think that it is great."

Jason Cousins, Granite City
"I feel good about myself when I play football or make a good grade on a spelling test. I feel even better when I don't get into trouble at home. I feel nice when I try to help other people do things. I feel OK when I clean my room."

Keyonna Walker, Venice
"What makes me feel good about myself is knowing that I am loved by my family and friends."

Obituaries

Paul Ashford

Paul E. Ashford, 75, of Madison, a former Madison alderman, died at 6:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, 1993, at his home. He had been ill for five years.

Born in Madison on Sept. 19, 1917, he was a lifelong resident, graduating from Madison High School and attending Southern Illinois University at East St. Louis. He was a meat cutter for 34 years at Swift & Co., retiring in 1974.

A member of Meat Cutters Local 78, Madison Lions Club, Illinois Sheriffs Association, Madison VFW Post 7451 and Venice-Madison American Legion Post 307, he was a 10-year member of AMVETS Post 204.

Formerly a Madison police commissioner, Mr. Ashford served as a First Ward Madison alderman for 16 years, 1971-87. He was a 40-year World War II U.S. Army Engineer Corps veteran, including service at Normandy, and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Mary I. (Prest) Ashford, who married Oct. 16, 1962; three daughters, Connie Carney of Granite City and Vickie Sue Graesser and Crystal F. Willis, both of St. Louis; a brother, John "Jack" Ashford of Highland; a sister, Mary Knobeloch of Wood River; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Marcella (Fabisher) Ashford, and his parents, Carl and Ida. (McGinnis) Ashford.

Visitation will be held from 4:30 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 21st St. Madison Ave., Granite City, where services will be held at 11 p.m. Friday, with the Rev. Kyle White officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested for the charity of the donor's choice.

Classie Felton

Classie Mae Felton, 63, of East St. Louis died at 12:47 a.m. Saturday, March 13, 1993, at St. Mary's Hospital, East St. Louis.

Born in Seaboard, Miss., on Aug. 13, 1929, she had been a resident of East St. Louis for many years. She was a butcher for Swift Packing Co., Granite City, for 14 years and was a member of the Southern

Mission Baptist Church, East St. Louis.

Survivors include her husband, Alexander Felton of East St. Louis; two sons, Alexander Felton Jr. and Lorenzo Felton, both of East St. Louis; two daughters, Melanie Felton of Dallas and Jacqueline Jones of Baltimore; three sisters, Annie Vaughn of Sioux Falls, S.D., Alice Foe of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Pearl Davidson of Granite City; two brothers, Ollie Willie of Madison and John White of East St. Louis; 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. Friday at Officer Funeral Home Chapel, 214 Missouri Ave., East St. Louis, where wake services and family visitation will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday. Funeral services will be held at noon Saturday at Southern Mission Baptist Church, East St. Louis, with the Rev. Jerome Jackson officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt.

Bess Miller

Bess M. (Yoder) Miller, 57, of Granite City died at 4:20 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, 1993, at her residence after a six-year illness.

Her husband, Elmer F. Miller of the Granite City News Co., died suddenly Dec. 28, 1986, at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt.

Born in Reading, Pa., on June 23, 1935, Mrs. Miller had been a resident of Granite City since 1954.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City. Survivors include her son, Michael, Miller of Glen Carbon; two daughters, Jacquelyn L. Pashae of Glen Carbon and Susan I. Miller of Granite City; two brothers, Harvey Yoder and Elmer Yoder, both of Reading, Pa.; five sisters, Catherine LeVan, Louise Mervine, Gilbert, Sandra Gilbert and Darlene Yoder, both of Reading; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents, Harvey and Catherine (Fry) Yoder; a brother, Richard Yoder; and a sister, Josephine Yoder. Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Davis Funeral Home, 21st Street and Cleveland Blvd., Granite City, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Ponton and Johnson roads, Granite City. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested for Hospice of Madison County, Granite City.

Marcella Mueller

Marcella (Wagler) Mueller, 92, of Palm Harbor, Fla., formerly of Collinsville and Granite City, died Sunday, March 14, 1993, at her residence.

Mrs. Mueller was born in Reedsburg, Ark., on Oct. 14, 1900. She had

been a resident of Palm Harbor for seven years and formerly resided in Millville for 32 years. For 40 years she was a beautician at Marcella's Beauty Shop. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and was of the Methodist faith.

Survivors include her husband, Armin Mueller of Palm Harbor, and a brother, J.B. Barber of Belleville.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. today at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon, with the Rev. Richard Scott officiating. Local arrangements were by Mercer Mortuary, Granite City.

Geneva Woodward

Geneva R. (Miles) Woodward, 65, of Granite City, died at 8:44 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, 1993, at Memorial Hospital in Belleville. She had been a patient for 2½ weeks and had been ill for one month.

Born in Granite City on Nov. 7, 1927, she was a lifelong resident. She was a homemaker and member of First Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include her husband, Don L. Woodward, whom she married Feb. 27, 1967, in Missouri; two sons, Danny Paul and Elmer "Buck" Woodward, both of Granite City; four daughters, Linda Buda, Leslie Sisavath, and Teresa Woodward, all of Granite City, and Judy Mixson of Germany; a brother, Leon LeMaster of Popular Bluff, Mo.; and two sisters, Elma Blende and Erma Curtis, both of Granite City.

She was preceded in death by her father, Beacher Miles; her mother, Jewel LeMaster; and a stepfather, Jack LeMaster.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Ave. of the Americas.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Mercer Mortuary. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens, Belleville.

Masses are suggested as memorials.

John Merchut

John Merchut, 78, of Belleville, formerly of Collinsville, died Monday, March 15, 1993, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville.

Born in Fairmont City on Aug. 24, 1914, he was a retired thoroughbred-horse trainer.

Survivors include his wife, Luel-L. (Bridges) Merchut; two daughters, Barbara Skalsky of Granite City and Joan Barton of Santa Clara, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 5:30 to 9 p.m. today and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at Braun Funeral Home, Cahokia, where services will be held at 12:30 p.m. Friday with the Rev. James Wood officiating. Burial will be at Valhalla Gardens of Memory, Belleville. Services are suggested for Hospice of Southern Illinois.

George Kries

George F. Kries, 66, of Demotte, Ind., formerly of Granite City and Chicago, died Tuesday, March 16, 1993, at Jasper City Hospital, Demotte.

Born in Granite City on Oct. 2, 1926, he was a member of Lawn American Legion Lodge 238 of Demotte and was a World War II U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include his brother, Frank Kries of Gainsville, Fla.; his sister, Josephine Cole of Troy; two nephews, one niece and one great-niece.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George Sr. and Anna Kries.

Visitation will begin at 4 p.m. Friday at Kasky Colonial Mortuary, 9000 St. Clair Ave., Fairview Heights, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, with the Rev. Gene Linnemann officiating. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

Charles Suddeth

Charles Robert Suddeth, 49, of Madison died at 7:36 a.m. Sunday, March 14, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Memorial Hospital, Granite City. He had been ill for many years.

Born in Salem, Ill., on Dec. 20, 1943, he had been a resident of Madison for 10 years. He was of the Catholic faith.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia (Nation) Suddeth, and his parents, Clarence Lloyd Suddeth and Melvina (Lahee) Suddeth.

Arrangements are pending at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach, 797-0099. Burial will be at Holy Cross Cemetery, Fairview Heights.

Masses are suggested as memorials.

Signs

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The Plan Commission is an advisory body. City Attorney Mark Goldenberg told the City Council on Tuesday night that, in his opinion, the council is "ultimately the legislative body."

He said that, while there are special provisions regarding how zoning and zoning ordinances (including plan commissions) in his opinion the City Council could make revisions "within the limits of the plan commission" and within the limits of the (commission's) advisory report "as long as the changes are not 'substantive'."

The Planning and Zoning Commission requested in November that the Plan Commission come up with an amendment to the B-1 sign ordinance allowing businesses to display either a flush-mounted or a free-standing sign.

Under the current law, only flush-mounted signs are legal. The commission last month recommended approval of the sign amendment, but with the provision that businesses may display one each free-standing and flush-mounted sign. The Planning and Zoning Committee then made three changes in the amendment before it was placed on first reading two weeks ago.

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Hearing

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Fitzhenry was in Springfield on Wednesday, and Assistant City Attorney Susan Bacon became ill Wednesday. Goldenberg appeared on behalf of the board and asked for the continuance.

DeLaurenti allowed the motion for continuance, but also ruled that Hutnick may have a copy of the transcript of the proceedings "with the agreement, understanding and order that he will keep the information confidential until further order."

"Mr. Goldenberg will provide you with a transcript, and you

Madison

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street, department - workers received "putting to help in the city's alarm department."

"Wouldn't it have been feasible to bring two laid-off workers back to work? (Assistant City Superintendent Mike) Foley rather than short the street department even more?" Caffrey

"I feel that, even with the layoffs, we need to keep up our city services."

Foley said the workers - following the contractual agreement for the street and alarm departments - had only worked

•Selph

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the same old garbage being reshaped. Selph said, "If I'm so darn bad, why did the federal government hire me as a U.S. marshal? I underwent two extensive checks and the federal government found no trouble with my honesty, integrity or credibility."

Selph accepted the U.S. marshal position just over a year ago. He took a leave of absence for the mayor's campaign.

Haine said he would "neither confirm nor deny the existence of any agreement" nor would he "confirm nor deny that the investigation was terminated by an agreement."

According to officials close to the original police investigation, the leak of information was about a drug sale to an undercover police officer.

According to sources, a decision to investigate the leak was made at a meeting of three people: Selph, Knight and a detective still with the department.

Within 90 minutes, word of the internal police investigation was apparently leaked. Sources said. At that point, the Illinois State Police Division of Criminal Investigation began its investigation.

In 1991, the DCI confirmed it had investigated an information leak in the Granite City Police Department. DCI said it was satisfied with the results of that investigation and its resolution by the Granite City Police Department.

Haine said he stood by his statement released in August 1991, but would recommend looking at the wording very carefully. I was very careful when I put it together, and I wouldn't take anyone else's word

for what I did and didn't say."

According to the statement after an investigation by the Illinois State Police and after testimony before a grand jury was found there was no prosecutable case to be filed or charged either by the State's Attorney or the Grand Jury.

Haine's statement says there was "absolutely no evidence of any corruption" in the police department nor was there "any evidence whatsoever of corruption or corrupt activities by officers in the department."

The statement says Selph "is nearing retirement" and that "it would be a great disservice to (Selph) and to the department to imply that as a result of this investigation that (Selph) is guilty of any wrongdoing."

Haine praised Knight's handling of the situation and said, "No police department can long endure as an effective force if there is suspicion that an officer's leadership of the department whether for corrupt motives or unwise conversation."

Haine said he was pleased "not only that the investigation did not result in criminal charges, but I am also pleased that the leadership of the department responded in the way it did in acting to clear up the allegation."

"As far as I'm concerned, the matter is closed," Haine's statement concludes.

Selph said he doubts the alleged leak of information ever took place and suggested it was "made up."

Selph said he knows some of his political opponents "have threatened to run my life as my political career by disclosing the real story," but said there is nothing to disclose.

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Funeral services

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

CHILCUTT, William "Harold," 85, of Granite City died at 5:08 p.m. Thursday, March 11, 1993, at Christian Hospital Northeast, St. Louis County. Visitation was held Friday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Services were held Sunday at Ruegg Funeral Home, Greenville, Mo., by the Rev. Phillip Coats. Burial was at Greenville City Cemetery.

FORYS, Matthew Thomas, 20, of Granite City was pronounced dead at 12:30 a.m. Sunday, March 14, 1993, after sustaining injuries in an auto accident on Highway 203 in Granite City. Visitation was held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Mass was celebrated Tuesday at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Robert DeGrand. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Memorials to St. Elizabeth Catholic Church or as Masses.

GUNN, Hazel (Lavender), 84, of Hurst, Ill., died Thursday, March 11, 1993, at Herrin (Ill.) Hospital. Services were held Saturday at Walker Funeral Home in Hurst. Burial was at Valhalla Gardens of Memory, Belleville. Memorials to Hospice and American Cancer Society.

HOGUE, Mae (Neimeyer), 72, of Granite City died Thursday, March 11, 1993, at home. Services were held Monday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Eddie Linhart. Burial was at Holy Cross Cemetery, Fairview Heights.

HUDSON, Kathy (Rogers), 36, of Jacksonville, N.C., formerly of Granite City, died Monday, March 15, 1993, at Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Greenville, N.C. Services will be held at 2 p.m. today at Johnson Funeral Home, Jacksonville, N.C., by the Rev. Billy Jackson. Burial will be at Onslow Memorial Park, Jacksonville.

IRVIN, William Carl, 83, of Granite City died at 3:55 a.m.

Monday, March 15, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Wednesday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Fred Boatright. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to Calvary Baptist Church Building Fund, Granite City, or American Lung Association.

KATZMAN, Wanda E. (Lyle), 69, of Granite City died at 6:40 a.m. Thursday, March 11, 1993, at home. Services were held Monday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, by the Rev. Michael Hart. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to Hospice of Southern Illinois.

KEE, Curtis Sebastian, infant, of Herrin, Ill., died at 11:25 p.m. Thursday, March 11, 1993, at Memorial Hospital, Carbondale. Graveside services were held Monday at Herrin City Cemetery, by the Rev. Frank Trotter. Arrangements were by Johnson-Hughes Funeral Home in Herrin.

KINKEL, Martha K. (Franklin), 70, of Granite City died at 10:16 a.m. Saturday, March 13, 1993, at Collinsville Care Center. Services were held Tuesday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. John Davis. Burial was at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County. Memorials to Parkinson Foundations.

LINE, Stephen D. II, 20, of Granite City was pronounced dead at 12:42 a.m. Sunday, March 14, 1993, after being injured in an auto accident on Highway 203 in Granite City. Visitation was held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Mass was celebrated Tuesday at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Granite City, with the Rev. Robert DeGrand. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Memorials to American Heart Association or American Lung Association.

MONK, Charlie Floyd, 54, of Madison died at 7:15 a.m. Wednesday, March 10, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City.

Services were held Monday at Officer Funeral Home, East St. Louis. Burial was at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt.

RAINS, John Michael, 21, of Granite City was pronounced dead at 12:40 a.m. Sunday, March 14, 1993, after an auto accident on Highway 203 in Granite City. Visitation was held Monday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Mass was celebrated Tuesday at Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Bill Fisherkeller. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

SHOCKLEY, Margaret Elizabeth (Downs), 63, of Cumberland City, Tenn., died Friday, March 12, 1993, at Clarksville (Tenn.) Memorial Hospital. Services were held Monday at Anglin Funeral Home, Dover, Tenn., by the Rev. Paul Sittin. Burial was at Downs Cemetery, Cumberland City.

TATUM, Grady E., 81, of Granite City died at 11:20 p.m. Monday, March 15, 1993, at Eden Village Care Center, Edinburg, Texas. Visitation will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 1 p.m. today.

WASYLUK, Mary (Magac), 82, of Granite City died at 6:03 a.m. Sunday, March 14, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Visitation will be held from 8 to 9 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, where there will be Panachida services at 7 p.m. today. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Friday at St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church, 1312 Iowa St., Madison, with the Revs. Robert Bohdan Piorowski and Paul Seaman officiating. Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Belleville. Memorials to American Cancer Society.

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Coolidge honors 2 students

Two students from Coolidge Junior High School were selected as the January Students of the Month.

Emily Markel, a 7th grader, keeps her best foot forward at all times, according to her art teacher, Pat Kopsky. "She is a conscientious student that puts 100 percent effort into all of her work."

Josh Sedabres was chosen as the 8th grade Student of the Month. Ed Schroeder, Josh's language arts teacher, describes Josh as both a volunteer and a leader.

and a "student who not only receives good grades but also has a great sense of humor." Students of the Month are chosen by the faculty using the following criteria: academics, behavior, attendance, citizenship, and school pride.

These students are rewarded with free pizza from Domino's and a \$10 cash reward. In addition, on a given date, they will be seated at a special, decorated table in the lunch room with their friends and allowed to go first in line.

Knox is offered college scholarship

Saint Joseph's college in Rensselaer, Ind., has announced it has offered a Trustee Scholarship to Michelle Knox, currently a senior at Granite City High School.

Trustee Scholarships are awarded on the basis of adjusted grade point average, class rank, and composite SAT and/or ACT score.

According to Brian Kesse, dean of Admissions at Saint Joseph's, Knox has been offered a scholarship that will pay 50 percent of her tuition.

•Lefties

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are examples — being of the left-handed persuasion can be a blessing.

Left-handed baseball pitchers are called southpaws because most playing fields have home plates in the west.

For Norman Williams, a retired carpenter in Fairview Heights, being a leftie provided him an easy way into the carpenter's union. Whenever it was time for roof repairs on the left side of a building, Williams was the man to call on.

As a leftie, he found the repairs much easier and safer than his right-handed co-workers, who had to reach across their bodies in order to do repairs with their right hands.

Mike Martin, a retired Air Force pilot residing in O'Fallon, said being left handed made learning to fly his military air-

craft much easier, since it requires the use of both hands to control the steering yoke and throttle.

"As a leftie there are many times when you have to learn to do things with your right hand, so you become more ambidextrous," he said. "Most right-handers are so right handed that they are not ambidextrous and it's unnatural for them."

Being left-handed does not hurt politically. All three top presidential contenders in the November 1992 election were lefties.

Shaw thinks that her family is part of a growing population group.

"It seems like I've seen more people lately that are left-handed," she said. "How does she know?"

"Oh, you notice. When somebody hands me my change with their left hand, I notice, and usually say something."

Students earn BAC honors

The following students have been listed on the fall 1992 semester honor roll from Belleville Area College by Vice President for Student Development Ted Lewis.

Perfect grade point average
GRANITE CITY — Cathy Besserman, Nancy Connolly, George Duvic, Nancy Escoto, Kevin Hunt, Robert Kirchner, Kevin Koesterer, John Mikes, Christine Mills, Dorothy Oswley, Jules Ragnetti, Kerry Rickert, Karen Robertson, George Spangenberg, Edward Stovall, James Thacker, Dina Trimpe, Elaine Waggener, Marjorie Woodside and Diane Yeager.

High Honors
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GRANITE CITY — Craig Abram, Penny Andrews, Tracy Bargiel, Stephen Blind, Shari Bonham, Amy Borth, Louise Bowling, Tamia Cook, Rosemary Doughlin, Robert Dunahm, Kathy Feeney, Jocko Ferguson, Brenda Fulton, Donald Hasty, Mickey Henson, Christine Hitchcock, Charles Holman, Suzanne Holten, Laurie Ivey, Raymond Kahn, Bruce Kass, Nikole Keeton, Lorretta Kohn, Christopher Krause, Martha Kutz, Susan Little, Sarah McFarland, Michael Meador, Stephen Miller, Laura Mock.

Marco Musquiz, Gerlean Parker, Michelle Rains, Becky Rice, Jeffrey Seiz, Keith Shable, Vaneice Sharke, Laura Sharp, Sandra Thacker, Gregory Marfield, Cheryl White, Karen Williams, Carla Williams, Angela Withers and Bobby Wood.

MADISON — Harold Hunter and Vera Pepmiller.

Honors
(3.0 to 3.49)
GRANITE CITY — Angela Adams, Michael Andria, Amy Aud, Patricia Barker, Judith Bertram, Michael Besserman, Kristi Boden, Dennis Boyer, Sheri Bushong, Amy Canady, Michael Carme, Stephanie Cathery, Soonhee Churovich, Joey Connor, Dana Cover, David Cox, Matthew Crider, Ryan Crisler, Leigh Cruise, Teresa David, Lori Day, Jessica Derossett, Deanna Dolosic, April Druhe, Joseph Galati, Cynthia Gerard, Julie Giesse, Thomas Grant, Denise Harper.

Imogene Henry, Jesus Hernandez, Laurie Hicks, Gary Hoerle, Katherine Johnson, Melissa Jones, Gregory Kessler, Leonard King, Brandi Kirkbride, Beth Koebel, Mary Lerch, Lisa Lewis, Lori Lewis, Jo Linhart, Erin Love;

Scott Matyas, Michelle Monroe, Karen Odom, David Patrick, Terry Rigby, John Ropac, Veronica Shafer, Roy Smith, Christopher Strier, Jason Strand, Sharon Tullock, Deanna Weidner, Patricia Westbrook, Christine West, Mary Wilson, Marvin Wolfe and John Wright.

MADISON — Janet Dye, Dawn Hann, Peggy Meredith and Shane Moyer.

PONTOON BEACH — Julie Huigens.

VINCENNE — Emma Harshaw and Darrell Simms.

IP scholarship applications available

Illinois Power has begun the application process for this year's Wendell J. Kelley Scholarships for children of IP customers and employees.

This year the utility will award eight new Wendell J. Kelley Scholarship winners. Two of the \$2,000 annual scholarships are targeted for minority students.

Illinois Power will renew scholarships for 10 previous winners, bringing total scholarships to 18. The scholarships are renewable up to three years for a total of \$8,000 for students who maintain a satisfactory academic performance.

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The scholarship program began in 1991 in honor of Wendell J. Kelley, the former Illinois Power president who retired in 1991 after serving 25 years as chief executive officer.

Previous Wendell J. Kelley Scholarship winners include Ramona Steneking of Freeburg, a three-year scholarship recipient.

She will attend summer school this year as a senior at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.



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Granite City debaters are, front row, from left, Heather Gitchoff, Brian McMillan and Jason Hall; back row, Nikki Coulter and Don Murphy.

Debate team competes at Freeport; 2 win 1st place awards

Granite City debaters returned recently from Freeport. In the Novice Division, after five preliminary rounds of debate, Nikki Coulter was given the Second Place Speaker Award and Brian McMillan was First Place Speaker. Jason Hall was the First Place speaker in the Varsity Division.

In elimination rounds, Don Murphy was a quarterfinalist in Varsity, Heather Gitchoff was a semifinalist in Varsity, and Jason Hall was a finalist and placed second in the tournament. Nikki Coulter was the Novice semifinalist and Brian McMillan was the Novice Tournament champion.

Ron Penny is debate coach.

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STEVEN BOLLING	877-8273	
DAN BROWN	877-0015	
PAUL FISK	877-5531	
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Hendricks-Bamper

Amy Hendricks, daughter of Mary Hendricks of Belleville and the late James Hendricks, and David Bamper, son of Walter and Brenda Bamper of Granite City, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Hendricks, of Edwardsville, is a graduate of Althoff Catholic High School in Belleville and received a bachelor's degree in business from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. She is employed by Philip Morris U.S.A. of St. Louis as a sales representative.

Her fiancé, Bamper, of Granite City, is a graduate of Granite City High School and received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Southern Illinois University.



Amy Hendricks and David Bamper

at Edwardsville. He is employed by DeRousse and Thompson Ltd. of Edwardsville as an accountant.

The couple is planning an Aug. 14, 1993, wedding at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Glen Carbon.

Smith-Mills

Rhonda Smith, daughter of Robert and Carol Smith of Granite City, and Kirk Mills, son of Deb Mills of Granite City, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Smith, of Granite City, is a 1988 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1992 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville with a bachelor of science degree in business administration, specializing in finance. She is employed by Magna Group Inc. of St. Louis as an internal compliance auditor.

Her fiancé, Mills, is a 1988 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1992 graduate of Western Illinois University, Macomb, with a bachelor of science degree in finance. He is employed by the Anheuser



Rhonda Smith and Kirk Mills

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Worthen-Fraley

Floyd and Dana Worthen of Granite City announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Christine Worthen, to Lance Edward Fraley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fraley of Buford, Ga.

Worthen is a 1991 graduate of Granite City High School and is currently attending Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, working toward a degree in elementary education. She is employed by Carousel Day Care Center.

Her fiancé is a 1988 graduate of North Gwinnett High School, Buford. He is now serving as a computer programmer in the U.S. Air Force.

A July 17 wedding is planned.



Angela Worthen and Lance Fraley

Nash in pageant

Brittini Nicole Nash, daughter of Chris and Nikki Nash of Granite City, took part in a Miss Heart of the Midwest Pageant held Feb. 21 at the Granite City Township Hall.



Nash

She won the title of Baby Miss of the Midwest, High Point Queen, and also took first runner up in Photogenic. She is sponsored by Bill's Doris L. Pet Grooming.

She is the granddaughter of Gene and Phyllis Smith and Sharon Nash of Granite City and Warren Nash of Houston.

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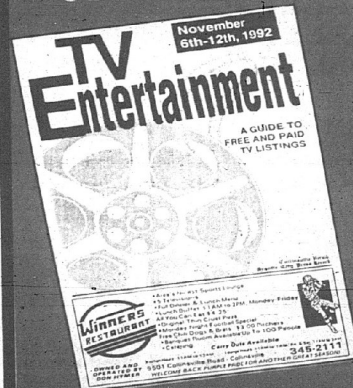


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Sports

Baseball season approaching for experienced Warrior team

Stegemeier preparing for final campaign

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

Normally a coach who exercises optimism with caution, Bob Stegemeier does not mind breaking one of his own rules as he gets set for his 20th and final year on the diamond with the Warrior baseball team.

"We've got a pretty good ball club coming back," Stegemeier said. "That's unusual for me to say, because I'm usually skeptical. But we have some kids who have some talent. I like what I see so far."

The Warriors return most of their starters from a team that went 23-9 last season. Several players have been successful while playing American Legion ball over the past two summers.

The Junior Triplets team won the state title two years ago, the same summer Post 113 placed

Schedule

3/26 EAST MOLINE (DH)	4:30 p.m.
3/27 WASHINGTON (DH)	4:30 p.m.
3/28 WOOD RIVER	4:30 p.m.
4/5 ROCKFORD	4:15 p.m.
4/7 CHICAGO	7:05 p.m.
4/8 ALTON	4:15 p.m.
4/13 BELLEVILLE EAST	4:15 p.m.
4/15 BELLEVILLE W. (DH)	4:15 p.m.
4/16 CAHOKIA	4:15 p.m.
4/17 JERSEVILLE 2	4:15 p.m.
4/20 EAST ST. LOUIS	4:15 p.m.
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5/6 BELLEVILLE EAST	4:15 p.m.
5/11 Belleville West	4:15 p.m.
5/14 East St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
5/15 O'Fallon (DH)	4:15 p.m.
5/18 COLLINGSVILLE	4:15 p.m.
5/22 CARBONDALE	4:15 p.m.
5/26, 6/1 Regional	TBA
5/26 Mount Vernon at Busch Stadium	9 a.m.
6/5 Sectional	TBA
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second in the state tournament.

"I think the kids realize how

good they can be, because they've had success before," Stegemeier said.

The Warriors have 12 returning lettermen, three of whom are two-year starters: Brent Dippel, Marc Patton and Les Nunes.

The team began practicing March 1, and Stegemeier was able to take the Warriors outdoors for the first time Monday.

"We got a look at some of our outfielders, and we got to do some running and handle some infield situations," Stegemeier said. "We got a lot of work done."

Granite City will open the season 4:30 p.m. March 26 at home with a doubleheader against East Moline. Weather permitting, the Warriors could play four games in two days with a home doubleheader against Washington the following day, March 27.

But the team appears to have pitching depth. The staff will be led by seniors Joe Rieser and Ben Hicks, who handled most of the pitching last year along with (See Baseball, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK)

Dan Stephens and Kathrine Ferrie are the high-school medical specialists at Granite City and Collinsville.

On the mend

SEMC trainers keep athletes cure

By David Wilhelm
Staff writer

As certified athletic trainers, Dan Stephens and Kathrine Ferrie do much of their work behind the scenes. But they help ensure that high school athletes in Granite City and Collinsville — among others — are front and center come game time.

Stephens, 32, and Ferrie, 24, evaluate injuries. They treat sore muscles. They communicate with parents, coaches and doctors. They tape wrists and ankles. Health is their top priority, and it's a service they enjoy providing.

STEPHENS, WHO lives in Fairview Heights, is the director of the sports medicine program that operates through Saint Elizabeth Health Services in Granite City.

"We originally set up (in 1991) at Granite City High School. We started a sports

medicine program there," said Stephens, a 1984 graduate of Western Illinois University who majored in physical education, with an emphasis in sports medicine.

"There were no true organized sports medicine coverages to go out to the high schools on this side of the river. That's really why I took the job at the hospital — to be able to go out and spread the educational aspects. Going along with that is the coverage of the local high schools."

"I really enjoy working with the young athletes. I work with athletes anywhere from 5 years old through the senior division of softball — senior citizens a wide spectrum of ages. I like going out to the schools every day. If (athletes) have a problem, you can help solve it and get them back playing as fast as you can, but safely."

STEPHENS AND Ferrie began working 15 hours per

week at Collinsville High last fall. They still serve 15 hours weekly at Granite City High, and they are doing injury evaluations three hours per week at Triad High in St. Jacob. Their work keeps them on the move.

"I jumped right into football season," said Ferrie, a '92 graduate of Iowa University who majored in physical education, with a concentration in athletic training. "It was quite a change going from the adults I worked with at Iowa to coming here and working with high school students. But they seemed to receive me very well. I actually kind of like it because I get a good chance to talk to people and see what they're like. The kids are very easygoing with me."

STEPHENS AND Ferrie are part of Saint Elizabeth's sports medicine committee, which also includes orthopedic (See Trainers, Page 2B)

Senior sprinter leads Trojan track team

By R.J. Gerber
Staff writer

Senior sprinter Robert Weathers returns for the Madison boys track team with hopes of improving on his junior year, which included a trip to the Class A State Meet in both the 100 and 200 meter dash.

Weathers had a rough time last year in Charleston. He was disqualified for a false start in the 100, and Trojan coach Charles Steptoe elected to hold him out of the 200 to use him as the anchor of the 400 and 800 meter relay teams.

Steptoe said there's nothing keeping Weathers from returning to state this season, except Weathers himself.

"Robert is a lot more experienced, but he's got to want it bad enough," Junior Jason Jones also returns in the sprints for Madison. Jones was a member of the state-qualifying relay teams last season as well.

Schedule

3/20 Sahaki Invitational at Carbondale	a.m.
3/24 Highland, Macomb, Jerseyville at Highland	3:30 p.m.
3/29 Bethalto	3:30 p.m.
3/29 East St. Louis	3:30 p.m.
4/1 Columbia, Lumberton East at Columbia	3:30 p.m.
4/2 Pole Vault Meet at Trenton	3:30 p.m.
4/3 Collinsville Invitational	10:30 a.m.
4/6 Trenton Invitational	1:30 p.m.
4/16 Belleville West Inv. at Belleville East	10:30 a.m.
4/13 ALTHOUGH	4:15 p.m.
4/17 Redford Invitational	3:30 p.m.
4/19 Collinsville, Highland, Macomb at Collinsville	3:30 p.m.
4/23 Greenville Sunset Relays	3:30 p.m.
4/27 Madison Co. Meet at Collinsville	3:30 p.m.
5/1 EAST ST. LOUIS INVITATIONAL	10:30 a.m.
5/1 GRACE CHRISTIAN	3:30 p.m.
5/6 Dage Invitational	3:30 p.m.
5/17 DuQuoin Classic	3:30 p.m.
5/21 Clark Invitational at East St. Louis	3:30 p.m.
5/25-26 Class A State Meet at Charleston	TBA

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Stephoe 25th season

Senior Derrick Hall, who had a personal best of 42-0 in the shot put last season, is back along with Jason Herrell. Both will be battling in the shot put and discus events.

Junior Tavares Young will handle most of the middle distance events for the Trojans. He has qualified for state in the (See Trojans, Page 3B)

Talent, experience give Trojanettes high hopes

By R.J. Gerber
Staff writer

Gene Briggs enters his sixth year as the Madison girls track coach with a talented mixture of three-year state qualifiers and a successful group of underclass performers.

A trio of senior sprinters return with hopes of qualifying for state for the fourth successive season. Shandala Foreshee, Latrisia Swift and Yukeitha Gardner lead a team with great potential heading into Saturday's Eastern Illinois University Invitational.

In addition, Shermaine Russell



Briggs Gardner

returns for her senior campaign after sitting out her sophomore and junior seasons. Russell was part of the relay team which tied for the state championship three years ago and could con-

tend for the open slot this season.

Gardner is back after going unbeaten in the 100 meter dash as a sophomore, but her junior year was hampered by an injury she suffered in a bus accident prior to first meet of the season. She still managed to finish eighth in Illinois, however.

Briggs seems to be, especially he has on the squad, two of whom are from Venice. Shantavia Berry and Summer Williams will give Madison some depth. Both were members of the seventh- and eighth-grade Venice (See Trojanettes, Page 3B)

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Davids lining up, aiming at Goliath

It will be David vs. Goliath—multiplied several times over—this weekend at the IHSA Class AA boys basketball tournament in Champaign.

There are seven Davids, including the Edwardsville Tigers. Others who might get a chance to pick up the slingshot include Palatine Fremd, Bradley-Bourbonnais, Rockford Guilford, Danville, Glenbrook North and Proviso East.

ALTHOUGH PROVISIO EAST is the two-time defending Class AA state champion, the Pirates are first in line as David at 8 p.m. Friday night inside the Assembly Hall.

Goliath shows up in the form of Martin Luther King High School of the Chicago Public League. The Jaguars are 29-0 this year and ranked nationally by USA Today. Area fans are very familiar with King. The Jaguars beat Collinsville at Fletcher Gym two years ago, made mincemeat of Granite City twins Jeff and Brian Smith a year ago and defeated Riverview Gardens (Mo.) in a local Shootout this season.

The Jaguars feature senior twin towers Thomas Hamilton and Rashard Griffith. The 7-3 Hamilton will be at the University of Illinois next year and the 7-1 Griffith will be at Wisconsin. But King is most



Dave Whaley

known for controversial coach London "Sonny" Cox.

COX and the Jaguars drew national attention earlier this season when other Chicago Public League teams threatened to boycott games with King because of what they perceived as unfair recruiting by Cox. It seems several of Chicago's top players were transferring to King, and Sonny was cornering the market.

Cox maintained he was following the letter of the law, while the others thought the spirit of the law was being mistreated. Whatever the case, the story made its way into Sports Illustrated's "Scorecard" section. Just a couple weeks later, Griffith was the subject of an SI feature article.

At any rate, it's safe to say Cox and his players don't have many fans outside of their own school. With Proviso East having won the last two state titles, that 8 p.m. quarterfinal matchup Friday might be as good as any

other game this weekend.

THE PIRATES, WHO beat CHS 53-51 in last year's quarterfinals, had a 63-game winning streak before losing to Philadelphia Simon Gratz in USA Today's No. 1 team—in the Coca-Cola/KMOX Shootout in St. Louis last Dec. 10. Proviso East has since lost three more games and takes a 26-4 record to Champaign.

Sonny has his act down pat. If he wins state, as he did in 1986 and 1990, he'll bask in the glow. If he loses in Champaign, he'll quickly point out that winning the Chicago Public League is the only thing that really matters. He made a big deal of that in 1987 when his Marcus Liberty-led team lost 79-62 to LaPhonso Ellis and the East St. Louis Lincoln Tigers.

Not surprisingly, King has a major size advantage on Proviso East, whose tallest player is 6-5. Proviso East has won four state titles in all, and coach Bill Hitt was named state coach of the year by the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association each of the past two seasons. He was also selected national coach of the year by the National Sports News Service last spring.

Hitt has his slingshot ready. Six other Davids are waiting in line if he fails.

•Trainers

(Continued from Page 1B)

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"An athletic trainer is very similar to a physical therapist. We have a pretty broad background from that side, but we

'We're kind of the liaison between the athletes and the doctors. We help keep things in perspective for the athletes.'

— Kathrine Ferrie
Athletic trainer

deal mostly with the athletes. Working at the hospital and having those physicians on our committee, we can bring them into special topics that they know inside and out. So when the lay person asks a question, they can bring that down to a level you and I can easily understand."

FERRIE, WHO lives in Edwardsville, said: "Athletic trainers are just one part of the sports medicine team. It also includes coaches, parents, managers and even friends (of injured athletes) who can help them do the things they need to do."

"We're kind of the liaison between the athletes and the doctors. We're able to put things in layman's terms; we're kind of an interpreter. We're there as an extension of the communication

(between patient and doctor). We help keep things in perspective for the athletes."

Stephens said, without question, the torn anterior cruciate ligament injury suffered Dec. 2 by CHS sophomore basketball player Doug Davinroy provided the most challenge.

"IT WAS ONE of those things that was just a fluke," Stephens said. "He was going down the floor, and, pop, there went his knee. And here we are with an anterior cruciate reconstruction."

"That's kind of an isolated incident. We've been extremely lucky this year at Collinsville. We're there starting at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. We're there for two hours each day, then we cover their home (games) for varsity basketball and football. We're able to take care of things when they happen."

Ferrie is in the process of "developing a presentation to work with female athletes." She hopes it's ready by April. "It will go over flexibility and conditioning," she said. "We're hoping to give the presentation soon to (Granite City) YMCA members, like women who are into aerobics. Aerobics can include anything where you raise your heart rate for longer than 40 minutes."

"I want to just educate kids. Once you become an adult, you're still learning."

Bowling meeting scheduled Sunday

An organizational meeting open to the public will be held at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at Granite City Bowling Center, 3701 Nameoki Road.

The meeting will be held to reorganize and establish a new name for the Quad City Association. Officers will be appointed, and all parents of youth bowlers in the area are encouraged to attend and participate.

Park District has softball openings

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•Trojans

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quarter mile and the mile relay. It was the sprinting and relay events that allowed the Trojans to not only qualify for state last season, but also win the sectional.

"The guys really came on the last five or six weeks of the season," Steptoe said. "The only meet we won all year was the sectional."

William Russell is the Trojans' main man in the jumping events. The senior could also see some action in the 400 while competing in the long and triple jump events.

"We're depending on William," Steptoe said.

Cartemus London, a senior, runs relays for Madison in addi-

tion to the 300 low hurdles. Several Venice athletes could also contribute this season, including a trio of freshmen: Junior Delreese Meeks and freshmen Antonio Henderson, Alonzo Roberson and Harvell McDonald could compete in the hurdles, sprints and jumping events, Steptoe said. Sophomore Teddy McCline is also out for the squad.

With about 15 athletes regularly attending training sessions, Steptoe said, depth may be a problem for the Trojans.

"We have a lot of new guys that didn't compete at Charleston," he said. "It's a tough schedule and we're a little worried about getting someone hurt. But I don't see why we can't (get to state) again."

James Stuart team places third at state

The James Stuart DeMolay basketball team placed third at the state basketball tournament in Springfield on Feb. 21, defeating DuPage of Villa Park 59-51.

James Stuart advanced to the state tournament after winning two of three games at the Conference "B" Tournament on Jan. 24. In that tournament, James Stuart defeated Marion G. Laubscher of Brighton, 56-19. The team then defeated Lewis and Clark of Cahokia 51-31 and lost 42-28 to C.E. Dagenhart of Bloomington in the conference title game at Parks College in Cahokia.

The members of the James Stuart team are Daryl Harper, Mike Parker, Robbie O'Beir, Tim Gihring, Nathan McCrory, Clinton North, Matt Howell, Tim Howell, Dan Skokolo, Stacy Goodman, Chris Hayden and Charlie Hicks.

Accompanying the team were Charles Meyer, Paul O'Beir, Senior DeMolay Greg Sipes and coach Bill Cochran.

Hunter safety class this week at VFW

An Illinois Department of Conservation hunter safety course will be presented tonight at the Granite City VFW Hall.

The first portion of the class will be held from 6-9 p.m. tonight. The second portion will be held from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday with a break for lunch. Both portions of the course are necessary for full credit.

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•Trojanettes

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state championship teams. Cheryl Gardner, who will perform as a sprinter and in field events and sisters Christina and Jennifer (middle distance and field events) round out the freshman class.

The junior class is led by hurdler and middle distance runner Joi Woodfork. Woodfork set the school record in the 300 hurdles at last year's sectional, recording a time of 31.8 seconds.

Sprinter and middle distance runner Taylor, who has also qualified for state as a member of the relay team, returns for her third season. Michelle Rodgers (middle distance and field events) also returns.

High jumper and middle distance runner Lalasha Montgomery is back for her sophomore season, as are shot putter and hurdler Sherry Griggs and sprinter Tracey Granger.

Briggs said his team has been doing what it takes to duplicate the past success of the Madison track program.

Stepoe said once again, the relay teams will be the backbone of the team and the long and triple jump events should also compete with the best in the area.

"The kids know state is there for them," said Steptoe, who has coached five individual state champions. "We have to work hard and make a lot of sacrifices."

The Trojans will take part in the Saluki High Invitational on Saturday in Carbondale. The Belleville West Invitational in April is another meet that should test the strength of the Trojan squad.

The Red Bud Class A Sectional is scheduled for May 21.

Schedule

3/20 Eastern Illinois Indoor Championship	9 a.m.
3/22 CAHOKIA, TRIAD, GATEWAY CHRISTIAN	9 a.m.
3/23 Red Bud, Chester at Red Bud	3:30 p.m.
3/26 Trenton, Woodfork	3:30 p.m.
3/27 Madison Co. Meet at Collinsville	9 a.m.
3/28 Lincoln, Edwardsville, Cahokia at Collinsville	9 a.m.
3/29 Red Bud Relays	9 a.m.
3/30 Greenville Relays	9 a.m.
3/31 Roxana Relays	9 a.m.
4/1 Lincoln Relays	9 a.m.
4/13 ALTOFF, GATEWAY CHRISTIAN	4 p.m.
4/21 Sectional at Greenville	5 p.m.
4/23-24 Class A State Meet at Charleston	9 a.m.
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"We have a lot of talent, and the girls seem to be working hard," he said. "The secret to success in the past has been the hard work and dedication that we put in practice. That seems to be continuing. Our philosophy is real simple...you'll succeed if you work hard."

Getting to state isn't necessary for Briggs to consider the season a success. But it is realistic for this group, he said.

"We measure the year as successful if an athlete improves. You don't have to win state to be a success," he said. "We won't be satisfied if we don't improve."

•Baseball

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Drake Marshall. Rieser went 9-1 with a 2.48 earned-run average, while Hicks numbers were 6-0, 3.00.

"Rieser is a good thrower," Stegemeier said. "His ball moves real well. Hicks changes speeds more."

He's more of a control pitcher, and he's improving his selection. Hopefully, he can blow it by some people."

The Warriors will depend on two other senior pitchers, Brett Barron and Brent Dippel. Dippel went 1-0 last year with a 3.50 ERA. The year before, he went 2-3 and tossed a two-hitter against Edwardsville.

"We know what he's capable of," Stegemeier said. "We feel he has the ability to do a good job. He's working hard, and I'm very impressed with his attitude."

The staff also includes senior reliever Les Nunes and juniors Jeff Ridenour, Chad Dooley, Mark Winfield, Jason Black and Corey Dickerson.

Ridenour pitched 20 1/3 innings last year, going 2-1 with a 3.44 ERA. Dooley pitched 23 1/3 innings in relief and finished 3-1, 2.71.

In all, Stegemeier could use as many as 10 pitchers.

"They're basically going to be the kids we'll count on," Stegemeier said. "We need them all. We need a lot of arms, and we don't want to overwork anyone."

The Warriors will have three catchers to employ as well, beginning with senior Jeff Luffman. Luffman, one of the Warriors' batting leaders, hit .355 last year. His backups will be juniors Shawn Shrum and Brian Kohler, a utility player.

The rest of the infield is set to go except first base, where Doole-

ey is the leading candidate. Other possibilities are Black, Winfield and junior Andy Roe.

The Warriors will be strong up the middle with senior Marc Patton at second base and Nunes at shortstop. Patton hit .364 last season, and Nunes hit .286.

Junior Don Harris will play backup to Patton, and junior Sean Lakatos will play behind Nunes.

At third base, senior Bob Wilson returns. He will be spelled by Kohler on occasion.

Stegemeier said the infield should be one of the team's strengths.

"The nice thing about those kids is they're mobile enough to move around and play the other positions," Stegemeier said. "One of the other big things we should have is defense and speed."

The outfield will be a defensive key with speedy senior Jason Maxfield in center field and Ridenour and Ridenour hit .333 last year.

In left field, Herman will be senior Billy Herman, who led the team in batting last year with a .384 average. Other outfield candidates are Winfield and

seniors Rod Odum, Larren Mosby and Matt Stinson.

"We have some experience," Stegemeier said. "With the exception of first base, we have lettermen at every position."

The Warriors should be one of the favorites in the Southwestern Conference along with Belleville East and Belleville West. Like Stegemeier, Belleville East coach Larry Patton is entering his final year.

Belleville West won the Granite City Class AA Sectional last year and advanced to the state tournament, posting a second-place finish. The Maroons ended the Warriors' season in regional play.

But the Belleville schools have both lost a significant amount of players.

"If the kids keep working hard, we feel like we could be as good as anyone in the area," Stegemeier said. "There are some good attitudes on the team."

The Warriors are hoping for a big week in the final part of May. After regional play concludes, Granite City will play Mount Vernon at Busch Stadium on May 30. The same date will also feature a Cardinals game against St. Diego.

"That'll be real fun," Stegemeier said. "It's an opportunity the kids will really enjoy."

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Eagles Auxiliary members attend district meeting

Twenty Eagles Auxiliary 1126 members attended a District 7 meeting, which was hosted by the Jerseyville Auxiliary. The meeting was held at the Jerseyville meeting hall, with an attendance of 66.

Granite City members attending were: Joann Spencer, Auxiliary president; Vincine Zerlan, secretary; Katie Kostoff, treasurer; Vera Johnson, conductor; Helen Lipchik, Del Deloney, Opal Cain; Ann Pates, Gladys Freeman, Kathleen Benda; Carol Miller, Marliou Wilkinson, Marian Lipscomb, Millie Weatherford; Dorothy Landford; Martha Simpson; Evalene Ederle; and Florence Hagnauer. New initiates were Frances Shane and Sherri Guardiola.

The meeting was opened by Jerseyville President Margaret Ingersoll, and then turned over to District Vice-President Eileen Jagla of Shiloh.

Honored guests escorted into the meeting hall by District Conductor Pat Claycomb were: Kathy Dullea, past state president of Shiloh; Mary Stogner, past state president of Collinsville; Rita Cuoco, state treasurer

of Alton; Helen Meyer, state inside guard of Alton; and Glena Draper, District 7 mother of Collinsville. Each guest was presented with a gift from the Jerseyville Auxiliary.

Secretary Rita Cuoco read minutes of the previous meeting and also gave the treasurer's report.

An initiation ceremony was held for two new members from Granite City: Frances Shane and Sherri Guardiola. Ritual team officers performing the ceremony were: President Doris Wallace of Jerseyville; Junior Past President Kathy Dullea of Shiloh; Vice-President Eileen Jagla of Shiloh; Chaplain Helen Lipchik of Granite City; Conductor Helen Meyer of Alton; and Pianist Grace Gasperin of Collinsville.

The conductors present from the various auxiliaries were honored and presented with a gift.

Various honored guests present spoke on subjects of interest to the auxiliaries. It was voted that a proposed change be made to the by-laws or resolutions that a 10-year secretary be appointed as a state president. The proposed change is to be forwarded to the state for approval.

Cuoco announced that Alton Aerie and Auxiliary will hold a joint Southern Zone Conference at the Alton Aerie Home on the weekend of April 15-17.

It was voted to support Rita Cuoco for state treasurer, and Helen Meyer for state conductor, at the State Convention to be held in June.

The traveling trophy was presented to Collinsville for the highest percentage of members present, and \$50 to Granite City for the most candidates initiated. It was announced that three members of the District 7 ritual team were presented with a trophy for their perfect scores at the seven-state conference held in Paducah. Winners were Kathy Dullea, Eileen Jagla and Angie Buehler.

Winners of attendance prizes were Del Deloney, Granite City, and Jerseyville and Collinsville winners.

Happy Birthday was sung to Dora Bligh, Jerseyville, on her 91st birthday.

The next District 7 meeting will be held in Shiloh on May 2.

Divorces

The marriages of several area couples were recently dissolved in the Third Circuit Court in Madison County. They include:

Edward A. Holik, 32, and Tina (Marsala) Holik, 31, both of Granite City, married Dec. 24, 1977.

Richard R. Rousseau, 49, of Granite City, and Carol (Snook) Rousseau, 45, of Duarte, Calif., married Aug. 10, 1985.

Jeffrey C. Reiter, 36, and Sandra (Smith) Reiter, 35, both of Granite City, married June 5, 1976.

Bruce A. Crisel, 34, and Sandra (Thomas) Crisel, 40, both of Granite City, married June 5, 1976.

1981.
Maurice E. Silas Jr., 27, and Sonya (Shurden) Silas, 26, both of Madison; married Oct. 2, 1992.

Joseph E. Pratte, 39, of Pacific Mo., and Rebecca (Narvaez) Pratte, 31, of Granite City; married April 11, 1987.

Buddy D. Harris, 41, and Robyn (Williams) Harris, 32, both of Granite City; married Oct. 17, 1981.

John R. Schmidt, 40, of Boulder, Colo., and Barbara (Steffenson) Schmidt, 31, of Granite City; married Oct. 10, 1981.

Anthony J. Luckshis, 37, of Glen Carbon, and Lana (Mills) Luckshis, 34, of Troy, married Feb. 22, 1980.

Alan C. Cox, 38, and Bonita (Jackson) Cox, 40, both of Collinsville; married Feb. 21, 1989.

Ralph W. Powers, 36, of Lebanon, and Robin (Leffler) Powers, 31, of Collinsville; married March 3, 1987.

Bruce D. Johns, 40, and Sheryl (Sullivan) Johns, 44, both of Troy; married May 22, 1976.

Glenn W. Frost, 32, of Edwardsville, and Shelley (Busch) Frost, 28, of Collinsville; married Dec. 30, 1988.

Curtis G. Klobuchar, 36, and Patricia (Wirth) Klobuchar, 30, both of Collinsville; married April 8, 1988.

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